

FSCAP Certified Steward

DuPont's Chesapeake Farms Mark Conner



Chesapeake Farms is a 3300 acre DuPont farm in Kent County farming corn and soybeans. The farm has a comprehensive nutrient management plan to ensure that the correct amount of fertilizer and pesticide are applied to the ground, producing thriving crops while eliminating nutrient runoff to the Chesapeake Bay. Best management practices employed on the farm include no till planting, buffer strips, and grassed waterways. Windbreaks are maintained with shrubs to prevent soil from blowing while protecting buildings and reducing energy costs. Mark Conner has been managing this farm for over 20 years and understands the importance of using best management practices for preservation.

The wildlife conservation on Chesapeake Farms are truly remarkable. The farm is home to waterfowl rest and feeding areas, deer feed plots, farm ponds for livestock and woodland wildlife, a 40 acre marsh, nesting structures, and habitat for rabbits and other small animals. A conservation easement has been placed on the farm so that it cannot be developed.

You can view the farms DuPont webpage to do a virtual tour at: http://www2.dupont.com/Production_Agriculture/en_US/knowledge_center/ChesapeakeFarms.html The farm's address is: 7319 Remington Drive, Chestertown, MD 21620. Mark can be contacted by phone at 410-778-8402 or e-mail at Mark.c.conner@usa.dupont.com.

